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> VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT LICENSEE EVENT REPORT 2-2002-002 STEAM GENERATOR LEVEL CONTROL PROBLEMS LEAD TO MANUAL REACTOR TRIP

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.73, Southern Nuclear Operating Company hereby submits a Vogtle Electric Generating Plant licensee event report for a condition that occurred on November 13, 2002.

Please contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

Jeffrey T. Gasser

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On November 13, 2002, power ascension was in progress following a refueling outage. At approximately 0354 EST, the licensed operator designated as the steam generator water level control operator (SGWLCO) began to transfer steam generator feedwater control from the bypass feedwater regulating valves (BFRVs) to the main feedwater system regulating valves (MFRVs). A series of water level transients commenced in each of the four steam generators (SGs) that culminated in the SG #3 water level increasing to its Hi-Hi level setpoint at 0405 EST. The main feedwater system isolated, the main feedwater pump tripped, and the auxiliary feedwater system actuated, as designed. As SG water levels decreased to their low level setpoints, a manual reactor trip was initiated at 0405 EST, and SG water levels were stabilized in Mode 3 (hot standby).

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The root cause of this event was the failure of the SGWLCO to follow procedure by having all BFRVs and MFRVs open simultaneously. A secondary cause of this event was less than adequate supervisory oversight by the Unit Shift Supervisor in verifying procedure compliance during feedwater control operations. The policy for implementing unit operating procedures is being reviewed to determine if the level of flexibility and/or interpretation is appropriate. Expectations of command and control issues are also being evaluated.

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A. REQUIREMENT FOR REPORT

This event is reportable per 10 CFR 50.73 (a)(2)(iv) because unplanned engineered safety feature and unplanned reactor protection system actuations occurred.

B. UNIT STATUS AT TIME OF EVENT

At the time of this event, Unit 2 was in power ascension in Mode 1 (power operations) at 21 percent of rated thermal power. The main feedwater system was in service to all four steam generators feeding through the bypass feedwater regulating valves (BFRVs). Personnel were making preparations to synchronize the generator to the grid. There was no inoperable equipment that contributed to the occurrence of this event.

C. DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

On November 13, 2002, power ascension was in progress following a refueling outage. At approximately 0354 EST, the licensed operator designated as the steam generator water level control operator (SGWLCO) began to transfer steam generator feedwater control from the BFRVs to the main feedwater system regulating valves (MFRVs). The SGWLCO incorrectly implemented the procedure for this transfer of control, initiating a series of water level transients in each of the four steam generators (SGs). In response, the SGWLCO closed and re-opened the MFRVs and decreased and increased the main feedwater pump speed. At 0403 EST, the last of the BFRVs was closed. At 0404 EST, the SG #3 water level was rising rapidly and MFRV #3 was closed. However, at 0405 EST, the SG #3 water level increased to greater than the 86% Hi-Hi level setpoint, initiating a main feedwater system isolation, a main feedwater pump trip, and an auxiliary feedwater system (AFW) actuation, as designed. As SG water levels decreased to their low level setpoints, a manual reactor trip was initiated at 0405 EST, and SG water levels were stabilized in Mode 3 (hot standby).

D. CAUSE OF EVENT

The root cause of this event was the failure of the SGWLCO to follow procedure 12004-C, "Power Operation (Mode 1)." Procedure step 4.1.26 requires that feedwater control from BFRVs to MFRVs be transferred one loop at a time. The SGWLCO interpreted this to allow all BFRVs and MFRVs to be opened simultaneously and under manual control prior to closing the four BFRVs one at a time. Also contributing to the difficulty in controlling water levels was the

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SGWLCO's use of the main feedwater pump speed to control water input. At a given power level, pump speed should remain constant. These factors resulted in the inability to adequately control SG water levels.

A secondary cause of this event was less than adequate supervisory oversight by the Unit Shift Supervisor (USS) in verifying procedure compliance during feedwater control operations.

There were no characteristics of the work location that contributed to the occurrence of these errors by the control room personnel involved.

E. ANALYSIS OF EVENT

The main feedwater system isolated, the operating main feedwater pump tripped, and the auxiliary feedwater system actuated as designed following the receipt of the SG high water level signal. With the main feedwater system isolated, the main feedwater pump tripped, and reactor power at 21%, control room personnel acted appropriately to manually trip the reactor and prevent a challenge to the automatic trip actuation circuitry. Based on these considerations, there was no adverse effect on plant safety or on the health and safety of the public as a result of this event.

This event does not represent a safety system functional failure.

F. CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

- 1) This event was reviewed with the operating crew assigned to re-start the plant and the unit was successfully returned to power.
- 2) This event will be addressed in licensed operator continuing training by March 1, 2003, emphasizing the effects of over-controlling feed flows via changes in pump speed, and the need to monitor steamflow/feedflow mismatch in this situation. Expectations of command and control issues will also be addressed.
- 3) By March 1, 2003, the Operations department will review its policy for implementing unit operating procedures to determine if the level of flexibility and/or interpretation is appropriate. Additionally, operating experience of similar events will be reviewed to determine if enhancements should be made to operating procedures.
- 4) The SGWLCO and the USS are no longer employed with Southern Nuclear Operating Company.

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G. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1) Failed Components: None
- 2) Previous Similar Events:

 LER 50-424/2002-003 dated June 13, 2002. The corrective actions for this June 13, 2002, LER were specific for preventing a recurrence of the April 20, 2002, reactor trip. These corrective actions were not general enough to prevent the reactor trip of November 13, 2002.
- Energy Industry Identification System Code:
 Main Feedwater System SJ
 Auxiliary Feedwater System BA



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Unit 1 Cycle 11 End of Life Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report

Reference:

Letter, J. J. Sheppard to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "End of Life Moderator Temperature Coefficient," dated October 31, 2002 (NOC-AE-02001425)

As a condition for approval of the conditional elimination of the most negative end of life moderator temperature coefficient measurement technical specification change as stated in the referenced correspondence, STP committed to submit the following information for the first three uses of this methodology at STP:

- 1. A summary of the plant data used to confirm that the Benchmark Criteria of Table 3-2 of WCAP-13749-P-A, Safety Evaluation Supporting the Conditional Elimination of the Most Negative EOL Moderator Temperature Coefficient Measurement, have been met; and,
- 2. The Most Negative EOL Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report (as found in Appendix D of WCAP-13749-P-A).

The information is attached. If there are any questions regarding this information, please contact Mr. Duane Gore at (361) 972-8909.

Manager.

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Attachments:

- 1. Plant Data Used to Confirm Benchmark Requirements
- 2. Most Negative End of Life Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report for South Texas Unit 1, Cycle 11

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Attachment 1

Plant Data Used to Confirm Benchmark Requirements

Plant Data Used to Confirm Benchmark Requirements are Satisfied

This attachment presents a comparison of the South Texas Unit 1 Cycle 11 core characteristics with the requirements for use of the Conditional Exemption of the Most Negative EOL Moderator Temperature Coefficient Measurement Methodology and presents plant data that support that the Benchmark Criteria presented in WCAP-13749-P-A are met.

The Conditional Exemption of the Most Negative EOL Moderator Temperature Coefficient Measurement Methodology is described in WCAP-13749-P-A. This report was approved by the NRC with two requirements:

- only PHOENIX/ANC calculation methods are used for the individual plant analyses relevant to determinations for the EOL MTC plant methodology, and
- the predictive correction is reexamined if changes in core fuel designs or continued MTC calculation/measurement data show significant effect on the predictive correction.

The PHOENIX/ANC calculation methods were used for the South Texas Unit 1, Cycle 11, core design and relevant analyses. Also, the Unit 1, Cycle 11, core design does not represent a major change in core fuel design. Therefore, the Predictive Correction of -3 pcm/°F remains valid for this cycle. The Unit 1, Cycle 11, core meets both of the above requirements.

A description of the data collection and calculations required to complete the Table 3 Worksheet of the Most Negative Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report is presented. Then the following data tables are provided:

- Table 1 Benchmark Criteria for Application of the 300 ppm MTC Conditional Exemption Methodology (per WCAP-13749-P-A)
- Table 2 Flux Map Data: Assembly Powers and Core Tilt Criteria
- Table 3 Core Reactivity Balance Data
- Table 4 Low Power Physics Test Data (Beginning of Cycle, Hot Zero Power): Isothermal Temperature Coefficient (ITC)
- Table 5 Low Power Physics Test Data (Beginning of Cycle, Hot Zero Power): Individual Control Bank Worth

Table 1 Benchmark Criteria for Application of the 300 ppm MTC Conditional Exemption Methodology (per WCAP-13749-P-A)

Parameter	<u>Criteria</u>
Assembly Power (Measured Normal Reaction Rate)	± 0.1 or 10 %
Measured Incore Quadrant Power Tilt (Low Power)	±4%
Measured Incore Quadrant Power Tilt (Full Power)	±2%
Core Reactivity (Cb) Difference	± 1000 pcm
BOL HZP ITC	±2 pcm/°F
Individual Control Bank Worth	± 15 % or ± 100 pcm
Total Control Bank Worth	± 10 %

Table 2
Flux Map Data: Assembly Powers and Core Tilt Criteria

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Table 3
Core Reactivity Balance Data

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Surveillance Date/Time		Reactivity	Benchmark Criteria			
		Deviation (pcm)	Requirement	Satisfied		
10/30/01	16:58	69.3		Yes		
11/27/01	14:51	-75.6		Yes		
12/18/01	15:39	-235.0		Yes		
01/15/02	16:30	-275.2		Yes		
02/13/02	14:35	-328.3		Yes		
03/11/02	16:06	-335.4		Yes		
04/10/02	16:03	-385.4		Yes		
05/08/02	11:27	-408.7	Reactivity	Yes		
06/03/02	15:47	-370.6	Deviation within ± 1000 pcm	Yes		
07/02/02	15:00	-331.5	± 1000 peni	Yes		
07/30/02	16:13	-281.3		Yes		
08/27/02	15:01	-265.3		Yes		
09/24/02	16:06	-202.8		Yes		
10/22/02	15:10	-172.0		Yes		
11/27/02	15:23	-35.7		Yes		
12/17/02	14:17	-1.4		Yes		

Table 4
Low Power Physics Test Data
(Beginning of Cycle, Hot Zero Power):
Isothermal Temperature Coefficient (ITC)

V 1.3	Measured Predicted (Error (Measured – Predicted)	Benchmark Criteria		
	(pcm/°F)*	(pcm/°F)*	(pcm/°F)*	Requirement	Satisfied	
BOC HZP ITC	-1.66	-2.35	0.69	ITC Error within ±2 pcm/°F	Yes	

*Note: 1 pcm = $1 \times 10^{-5} \Delta K/K$

Table 5
Low Power Physics Test Data
(Beginning of Cycle, Hot Zero Power):
Individual Control Bank Worth

					Benchmark Criteria		
Bank	Measured (pcm)*	Predicted (pcm)*	Δ Error (pcm)*	% Error	Requirement	Satisfied	
Shutdown Bank A	278.6	272.1	6.5	2.4%		Yes	
Shutdown Bank B	799.6	775.3 397.3	24.3	3.1%	% Error	Yes	
Shutdown Bank C	413.4		16.1	4.1%	within ±15%	Yes	
Shutdown Bank D	398.7	389.6	9.1	2.3%	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Yes	
Shutdown Bank E	487.0	483.1 776.4	3.9	0.8%	OR	Yes	
Control Bank A	791.6		15.2	2.0%		Yes	
Control Bank B	687.2	656.1	31.1	4.7%	∆ Error	Yes	
Control Bank C	862.7	845.4	17,3	2.1%	within ±100 pcm	Yes	
Control Bank D	540.1	516.4	23.7	4.6%	1	Yes	
Total Control Bank Worth	5258.9	5111.7	147.2	2.9%	% Error within ±10%	Yes	

*Note: 1 pcm = $1 \times 10^{-5} \Delta K/K$

Attachment 2

Most Negative End of Life Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report for South Texas Unit 1, Cycle 11

Most Negative End of Life Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report for South Texas Unit 1, Cycle 11

(Measured 300 ppm Burnup, as per WCAP-13749-P-A, Appendix D)

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this document is to present cycle-specific best estimate data for use in confirming the most negative end of life moderator temperature coefficient (MTC) limit in Technical Specification 3.1.1.3. This document also summarizes the methodology used for determining if a HFP 300 ppm MTC measurement is required.

PRECAUTIONS AND LIMITATIONS:

The EOL MTC elimination data presented in this document apply to South Texas Unit 1 Cycle 11 only and may not be used for other operating cycles.

The following reference is applicable to this document:

Fetterman, R. J., Slagle, W. H., Safety Evaluation Supporting the Conditional Exemption of the Most Negative EOL Moderator Temperature Coefficient Measurement, WCAP-13749-P-A, March, 1997.

PROCEDURE:

All core performance benchmark criteria listed in Table 1 must be met for the current operating cycle, These criteria are confirmed from startup physics test results and routine HFP boron concentration and flux map surveillance performed during the cycle.

If all core performance benchmark criteria are met, then the Revised Predicted MTC may be calculated per the algorithm given in Table 2. The required cycle specific data are provided in Table 2 and Figure 1. This methodology is also described in Reference 1. If all core performance benchmark criteria are met, and the Revised Predicted MTC is less negative than COLR Limit 2.3.3, then a measurement is not required.

Note that Figure 1 is not entirely linear. However, the deviation is slight enough that linear interpolation between adjacent points from the data at the bottom of the Figure is acceptable.

Table 1 Benchmark Criteria for Application of the 300 ppm MTC Conditional Exemption Methodology

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
Assembly Power (Measured Normal Reaction Rate)	±0.1 or 10 %
Measured Incore Quadrant Power Tilt (Low Power)	±4%
Measured Incore Quadrant Power Tilt (Full Power)	±2%
Core Reactivity (Cb) Difference	± 1000 pcm
BOL HZP ITC	±2 pcm/°F
Individual Control Bank Worth	± 15 % or ± 100 pcm
Total Control Bank Worth	± 10 %

Table 2 Algorithm for Determining the Revised Predicted Near-EOL 300 ppm MTC

The Revised Predicted MTC = Predicted MTC + AFD Correction - 3 pcm/°F where:

Predicted MTC is calculated from Figure 1 at the burnup corresponding to the measurement of 300 ppm at RTP conditions,

AFD Correction is the more negative value of:

{ 0 pcm/°F, (\(\Delta AFD \) * AFD Sensitivity) }

AAFD is the measured AFD minus the predicted AFD from an incore flux map taken at or near the burnup corresponding to 300 ppm.

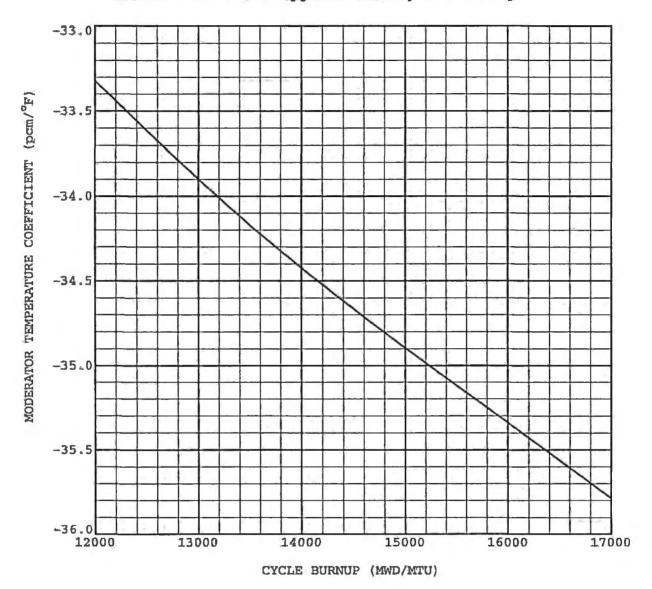
AFD Sensitivity = $0.05 \text{ pcm} / ^{\circ}\text{F} / \Delta \text{AFD}$

Predictive Correction is -3 pcm/°F, as included in the equation for the Revised Predicted MTC.

Table 3 Worksheet for Calculating the Predicted Near-EOL 300 ppm MTC

Unit		, Cycle 11 Date: 12/17/2002	Time: 1	525
L 1	etter 1 Ma	e for Cycle-Specific MTC Data: from T.D. Croyle, Westinghouse, to D.F. Houst Negative Moderator Temperature Cofficie OC-02002311.		
Part	A. P	redicted MTC		
A	A.1	Cycle Average Burnup Corresponding to the HFP ARO equilibrium xenon $C_{\rm B}$ of 300 ppm.	15171.8	MWD/MTU
A	1.2	Predicted HFP ARO MTC corresponding to burnup (A.1)	-34.96	pcm/°F
Part	B. A	FD Correction		
E	3.1	Burnup of most recent HFP, equilibrium conditions incore flux map	15200.9	MWD/MTU
E	3.2	Measured HFP AFD at burnup (B.1) Reference incore flux map: ID:111018 Date:12/17/02	-2.02	% AFD
E	3.3	Predicted HFP AFD at burnup (B.1)	-3.07	% AFD
E	3.4	MTC Sensitivity to AFD	0.05	pcm/°F/\DAFD
E	3.5	AFD Correction, more negative of [0 pcm/°F, B.4 *(B.2 – B.3)]	0	pcm/°F
Part	C. R	Revised Prediction		
C	2.1	Revised Prediction $(A.2 + B.5 - 3)$	-37.96	pcm/°F
C	2.2	Surveillance Limit (COLR 2.3.3)	-53.6	pcm/°F
		If C.1 is less negative than C.2, then the HFP 300 ppm MTC measurement is not required per Specification 4.1.1.3.		

Figure 1
Predicted HFP FOP 300 ppm MTC vs. Cycle 11 Burnup



Cycle Burnup	Moderator Temperature Coefficients			
(MWD/MTU)	(pcm/°F)			
12000	-33.32			
14000	-34.43			
16000	-35.34			
17000	-35.79			

Table 4

Data Collection and Calculations Required to Complete the Table 3 Worksheet of the Most Negative Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report

Data at the 300 ppm Boron Point

• RCS Boron at 300 ppm at 14:24 on 12/16/02.

• Burnup at 300 ppm: 15171.8 MWD/MTU (A.1)

Predicted MTC: -34.96 pcm/°F (A.2)

Data from Last Flux Map:

• Flux Map Number: 111018 (B.2)

• Reactor Power 100% RTP

Note: The monthly flux map was performed at about the same time the unit reached the 300 ppm concentration value. Data from this flux map was used for the AFD Correction.

Burnup 15200.9 MWD/MTU (B.1)

Measured Axial Offset (MAO): -2.02% (B.2)

Note: The Westinghouse BEACON computer code (similar to the Westinghouse INCORE code) determines Axial Offset (AO), not Axial Flux Difference (AFD). Therefore, the AO must be converted to AFD before use. The relationship between AO and AFD is

• Axial Flux Difference

Lower Predicted AO (LPAO): -2.91% at 14000 MWD/MTU Higher Predicted AO (HPAO): -3.17% at 16000 MWD/MTU

Predicted AO (PAO) =

$$PAO = \frac{B/U_{@Measued AO} - B/U_{@LowerPredicted AO}}{B/U_{@HigherPredicted AO} - B/U_{@LowerPredicted AO}} \times (HPAO - LPAO) + LPAO$$

$$PAO = (15200.9 - 14000)/(16000 - 14000) * (-3.17\% + 2.91\%) - 2.91\% = -3.07\% (B.3)$$

$$\Delta AFD = (MAO-PAO) * 100\%$$

= (-2.02% + 3.07%) * 100%

= 1.05%

Table 4 (cont.)

Data Collection and Calculations Required to Complete the Table 3 Worksheet of the Most Negative Moderator Temperature Coefficient Limit Report

Determination of the Revised Predicted Moderator Temperature Coefficient (MTC)

AFD Sensitivity: 0.05 pcm/°F/ ΔAFD AFD Correction: 0 pcm/°F (B.5)

where: AFD Correction is the more negative of the following:

0 pcm/°F or (ΔAFD * AFD Sensitivity) 0 pcm/°F or (1.05% * 0.05 pcm/°F/ ΔAFD)

0 pcm/°F or 0.053 pcm/°F

∴0 pcm/°F

Revised Predicted MTC = Predicted MTC + AFD Correction - 3 pcm/°F

 $= -34.96 \text{ pcm/}^{\circ}\text{F} + 0.0 \text{ pcm/}^{\circ}\text{F} - 3 \text{ pcm/}^{\circ}\text{F}$

 $= -37.96 \text{ pcm/}^{\circ}\text{F}$ (C.1)